

SORRY 'BOUT THIS.



AH... ITSUKI-CHAN, YOU DON'T HAVE TO KEEP ME COMPANY.

GO AND SKI.



IT'S FINE. ONCE I'VE RECOVERED A BIT, I'LL CATCH UP WITH YOU.

BUT...



OR DO YOU FIND IT HARD TO FACE FUUTAROU-KUN?



EHH~

PLEASE STAY PUT TODAY AND DO SOME SELF-REFLECTION.

WHILE IT WAS AN ACCIDENT, YOUR CARELESSNESS IS STILL TO BLAME.

JUST MY LUCK TO GET SICK AT A TIME LIKE THIS.

HOWEVER,
IT'S ANOTHER
STORY IF WE'RE
TALKING ABOUT
A RELATIONSHIP
BETWEEN A BOY
AND A GIRL.

I JUST
KNOW TOO
LITTLE
ABOUT
HIM.

DOES
FUUTAROU-KUN
REALLY SEEM
LIKE SUCH A
TERRIBLE
GUY TO YOU?

W-WELL I
WOULDN'T
GO THAT
FAR...

SO
THAT
REALLY
WAS
YOU...

YOU'VE BEEN
WARY OF
HIM EVER
SINCE THAT
THING AT
THE INN.

WHO
WOULD
HAVE
THOUGHT
THINGS
WOULD
TURN OUT
LIKE
THIS?

IT'S
ONLY
BEEN
THREE
MONTHS.

I NEVER
COULD'VE
IMAGINED
THIS HAP-
PENING WHEN
I ASKED HIM
TO TEACH
ME THAT DAY
IN THE CAFETERIA.

MOST
CARE-
FULLY.

AND
CHOOSE
THEM

ASSESS
THEM

YOU
REALLY
NEED
TO

WITH
MEN,

ITSUKI-
CHAN IS
STILL
HUNG UP
ON THAT,
HUH...

HOOWL



IT'S
OKAY.

FUUTAROU-
KUN ISN'T
LIKE OUR
DAD.

WANT
TO TALK
ABOUT,
MIKU?

SO
WHAT
DO
YOU

IS THIS
PERHAPS
ABOUT THE
BONFIRE?

Y-
YEAH.

MY
CLASSMATES
SAID YOU
NEED TO
JOIN HANDS
FOR THE
LEGEND
TO COME
TRUE.

FLASH

I
KNOW!

I WANT
TO BE
FAIR
RATHER
THAN
EQUAL.

BUT
WHAT
EXACTLY
SHOULD
I DO?

FUUTAROU
HAS TWO
HANDS.

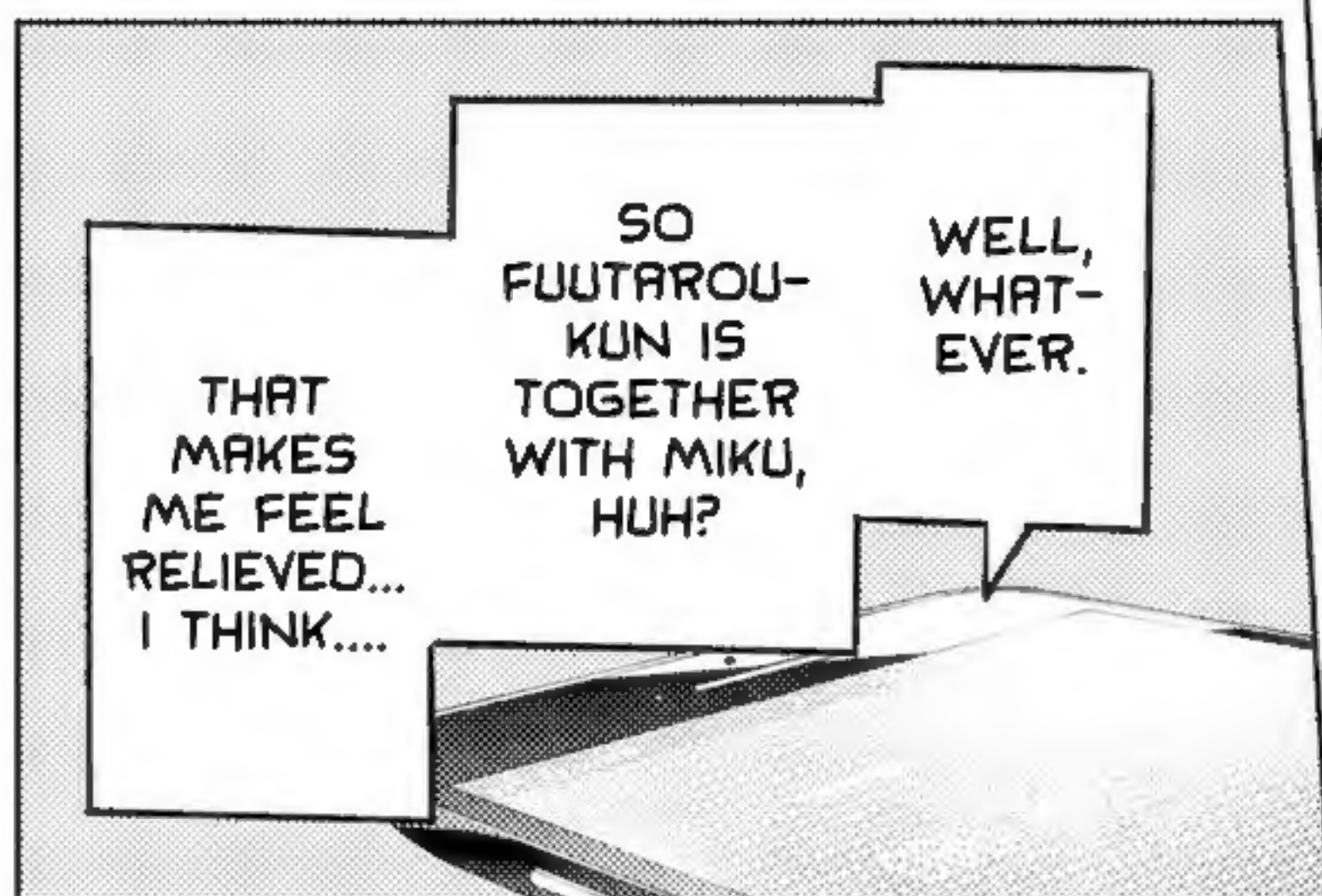
LET'S
HAVE HIM
HOLD A
FLOWER
IN EACH!





OH?
DID I TELL
FUUTAROU-KUN
I WASN'T
FEELING
WELL?

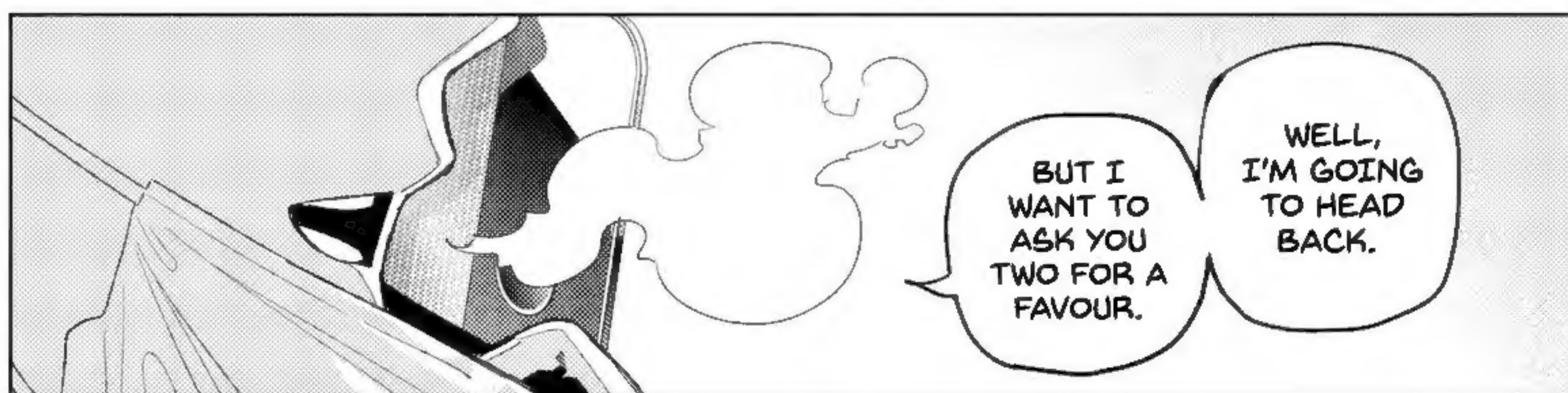
S...
SPEAKER-
PHONE!



THAT
MAKES
ME FEEL
RELIEVED...
I THINK....

SO
FUUTAROU-
KUN IS
TOGETHER
WITH MIKU,
HUH?

WELL,
WHAT-
EVER.



BUT I
WANT TO
ASK YOU
TWO FOR A
FAVOUR.

WELL,
I'M GOING
TO HEAD
BACK.

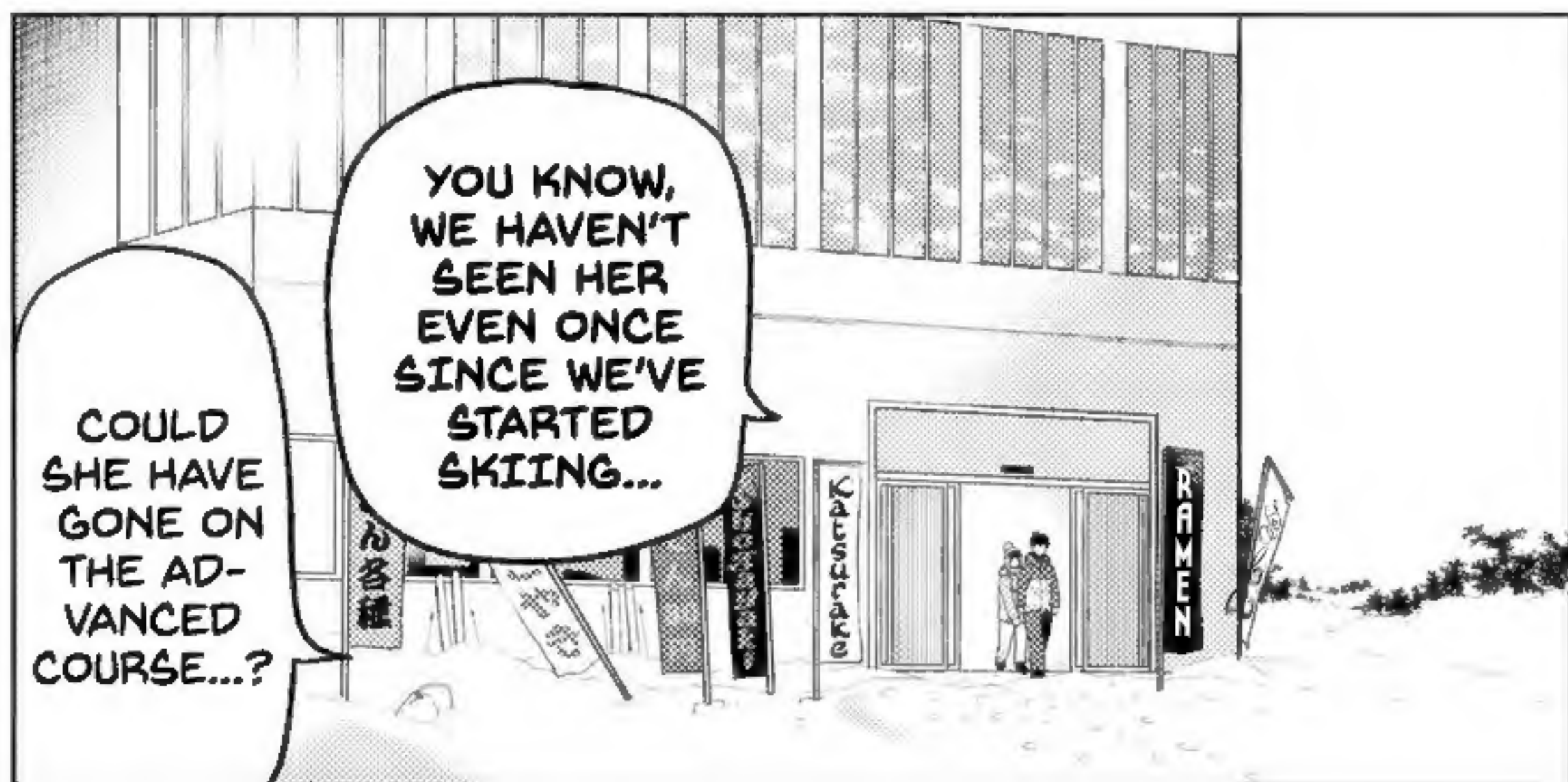
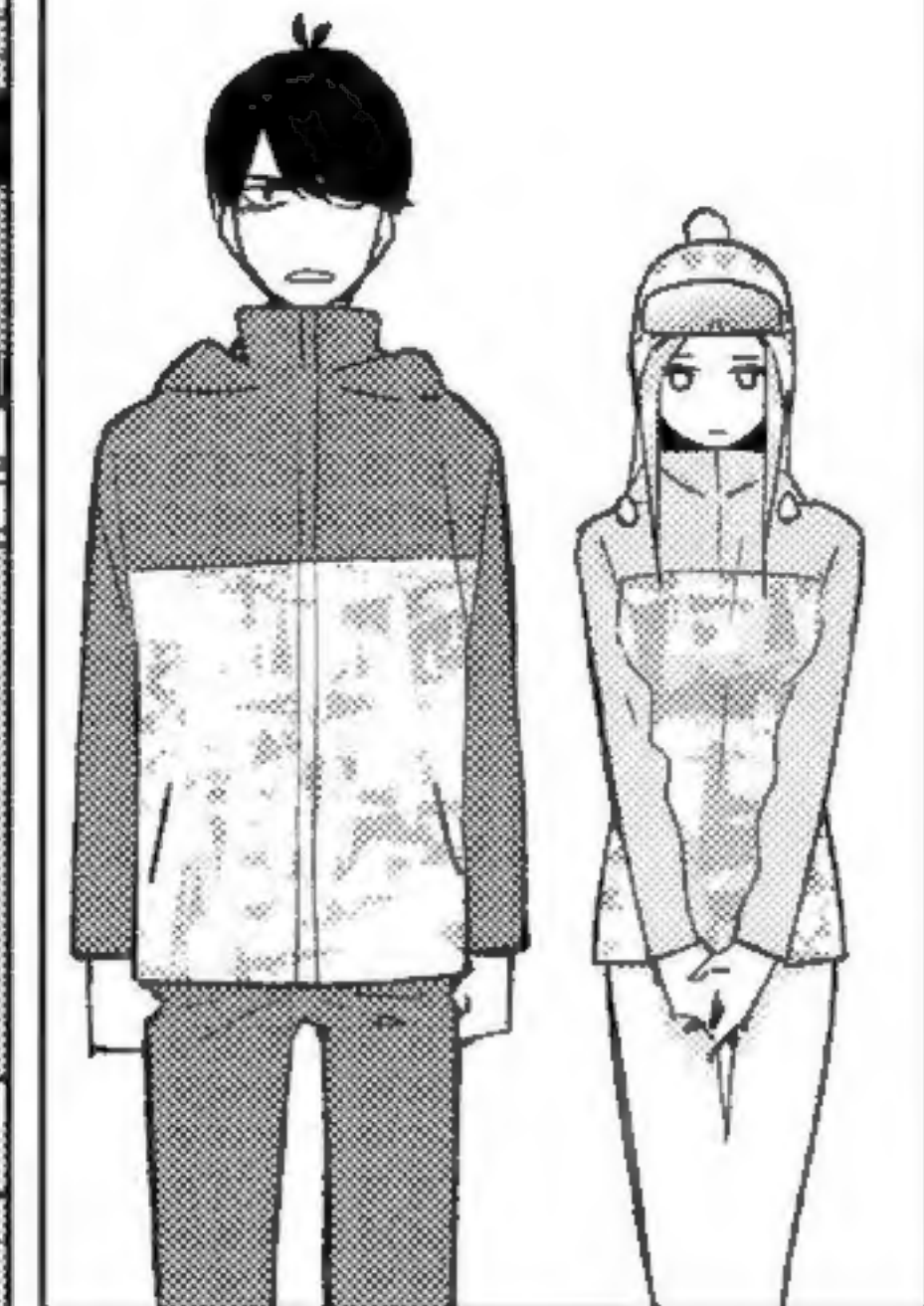


AND I'M
SURE SHE'S
FEELING
LONELY.

PLEASE FIND
ITSUKI-CHAN.
SHE'S ALL BY
HERSELF,

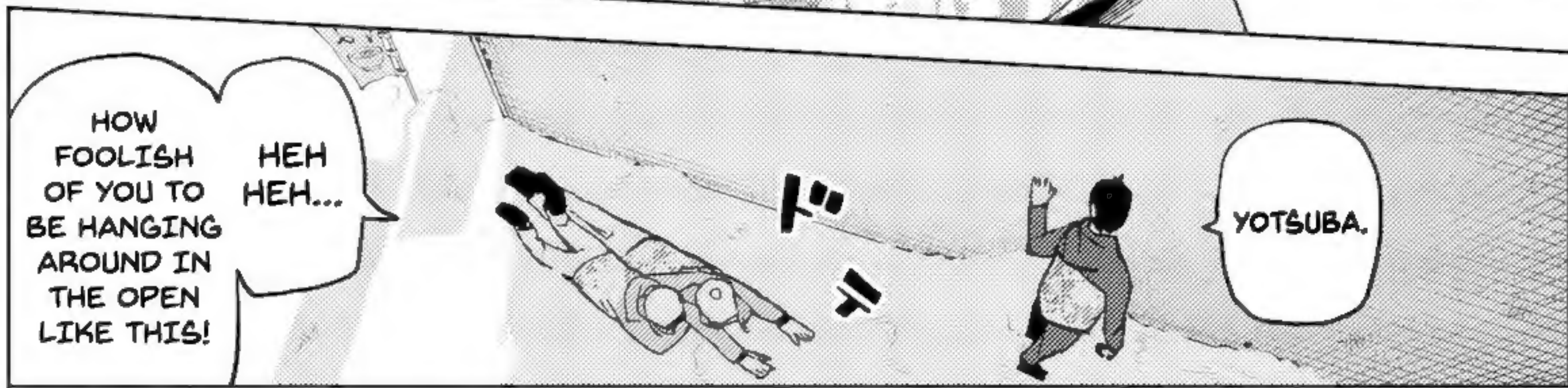


THAT'S STRANGE.





FOUND
MIKU AND
UESUGI-
SAN!



HOW
FOOLISH
OF YOU TO
BE HANGING
AROUND IN
THE OPEN
LIKE THIS!

HEH
HEH...

YOTSUBA.



ICHIKA,
FUUTAROU,
YOU SHOULD
BOTH HEAD
BACK TO THE
COTTAGE.



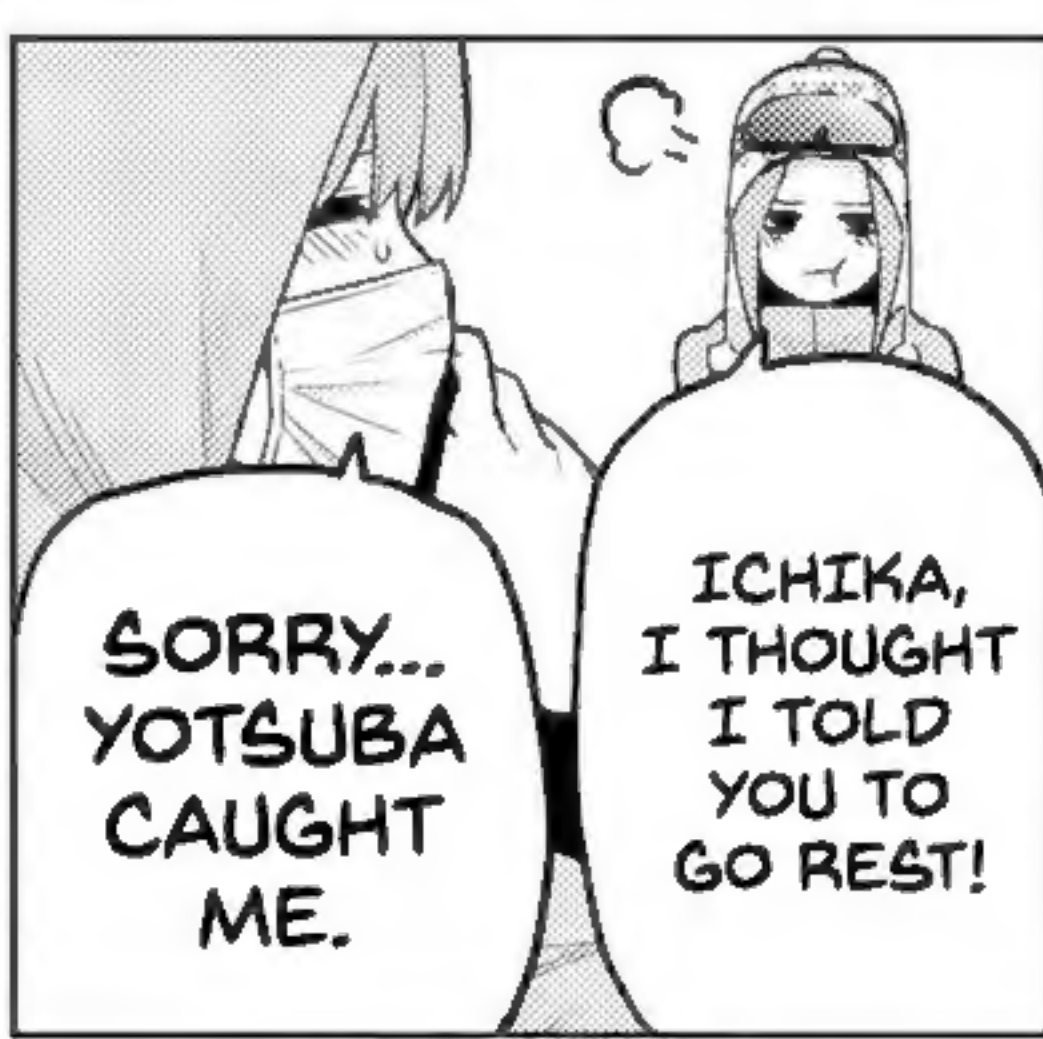
I CAUGHT
THE OTHER
TWO AS WELL,
SO ALL
THAT'S LEFT
IS ITSUKI.

I FOR-
GOT...



HEEEEEEY,
WE'RE OVER
HERE.

YOU
COULDN'T
FIND HER
EITHER?

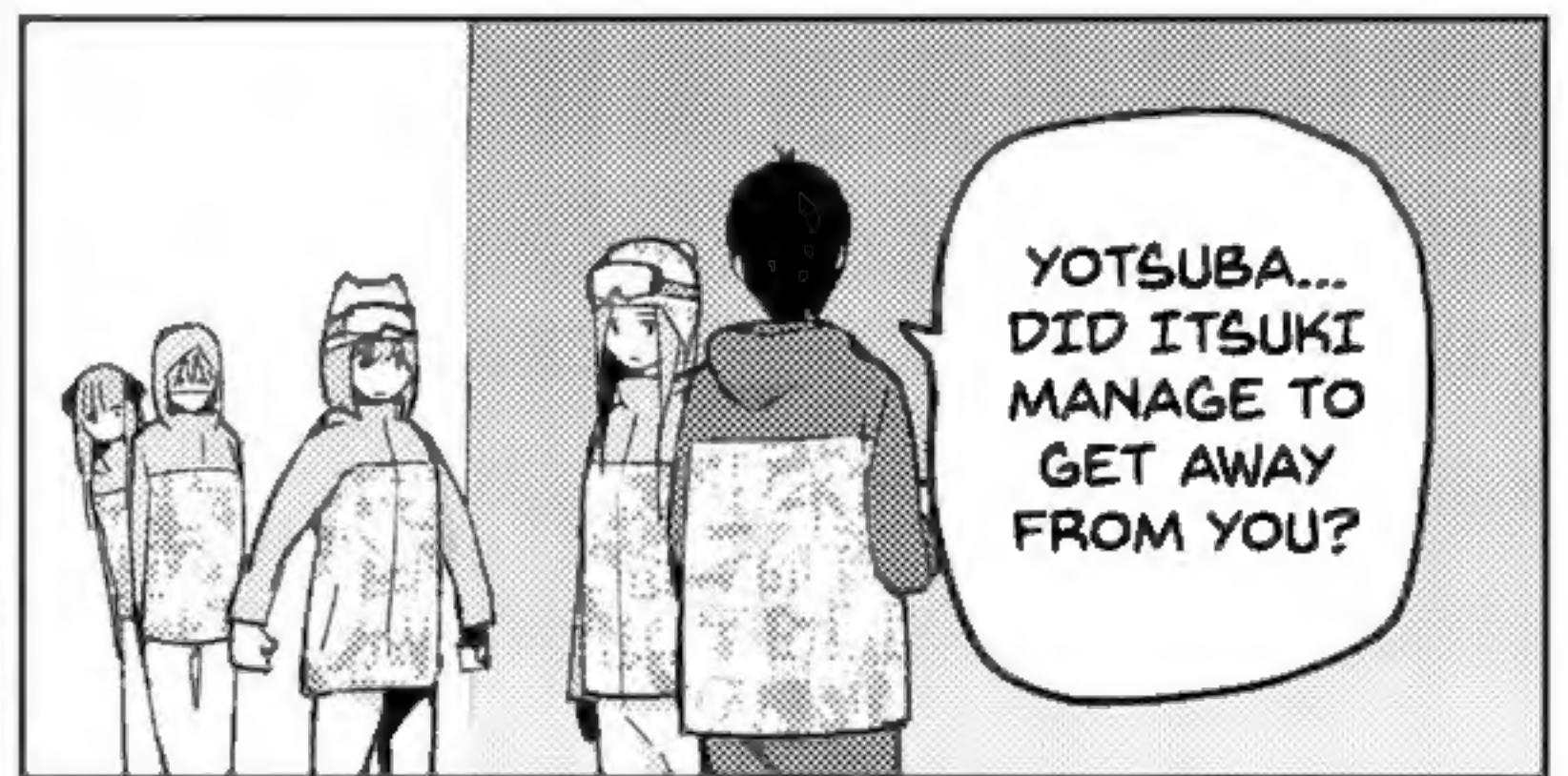


SORRY...
YOTSUBA
CAUGHT
ME.

ICHIKA,
I THOUGHT
I TOLD
YOU TO
GO REST!



GOOD
GRIEF...
I'M BUSY
LOOKING
FOR
SOMEONE
MYSELF...



YOTSUBA...
DID ITSUKI
MANAGE TO
GET AWAY
FROM YOU?



NO,

I LOOKED
FOR HER,
BUT I
COULDN'T
FIND HER
AT ALL.

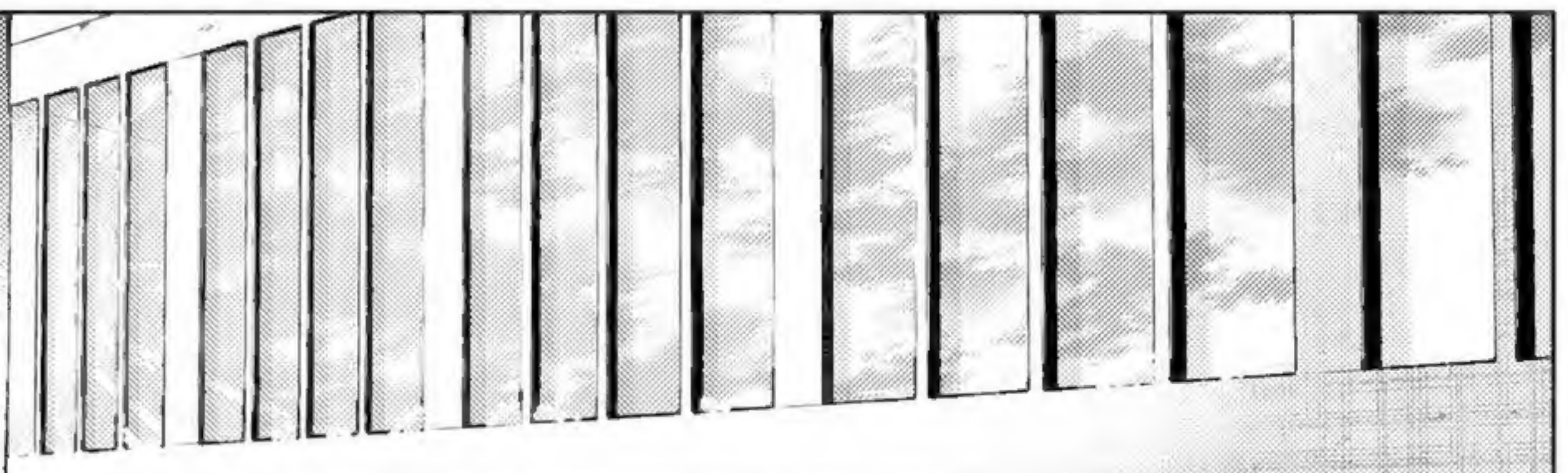


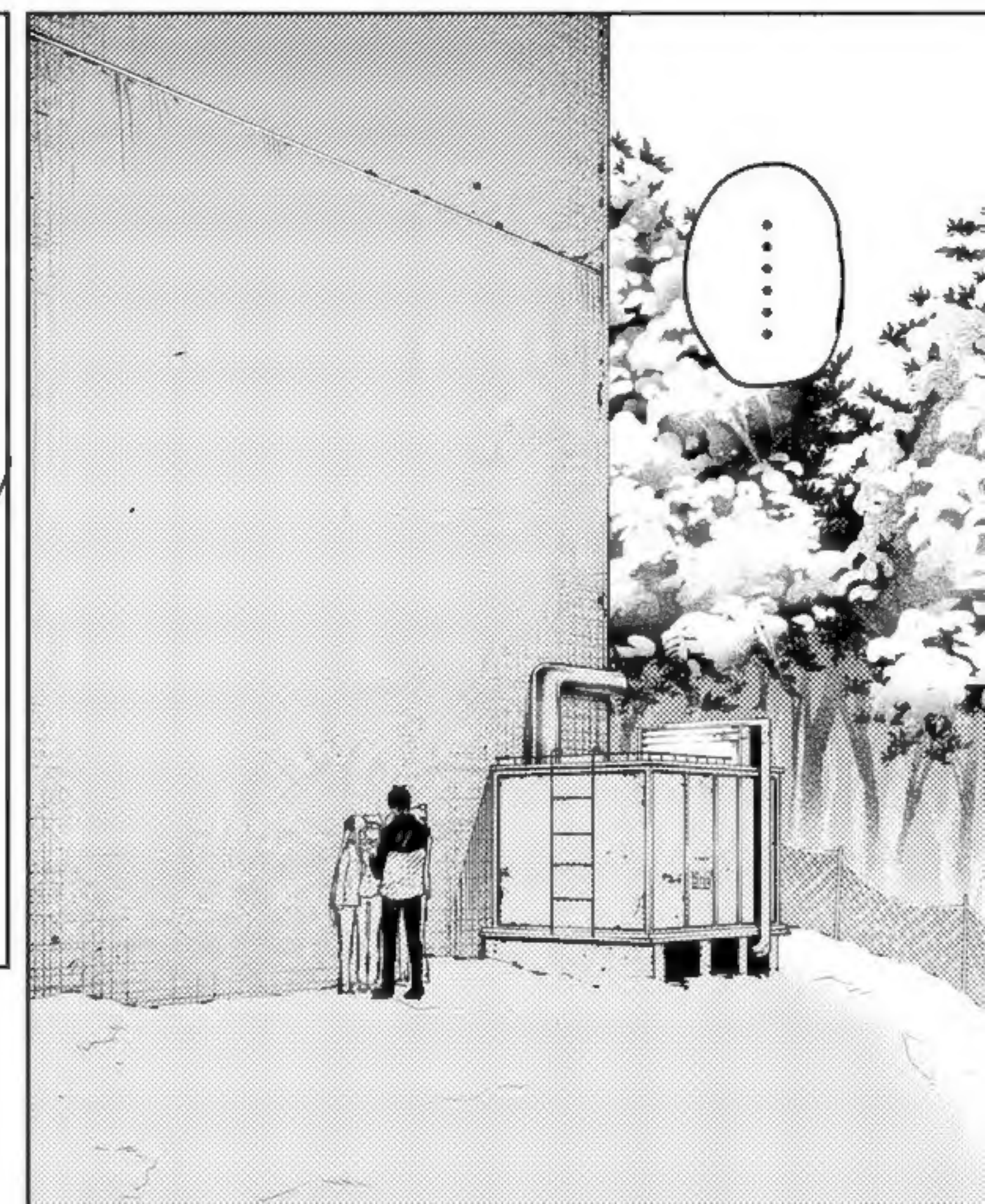
LET'S
HEAR
IT.

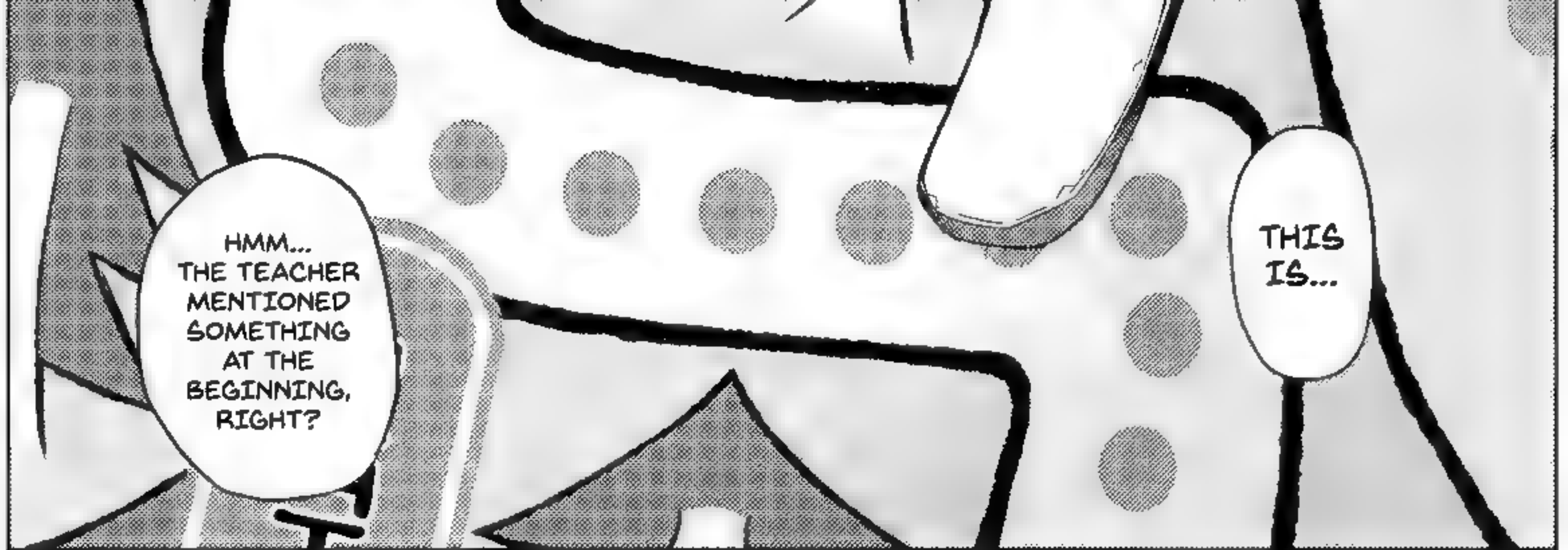
THE
SITUATION...
MIGHT
BE MORE
SERIOUS
THAN WE
THOUGHT...

!

STRAND-
ED...?







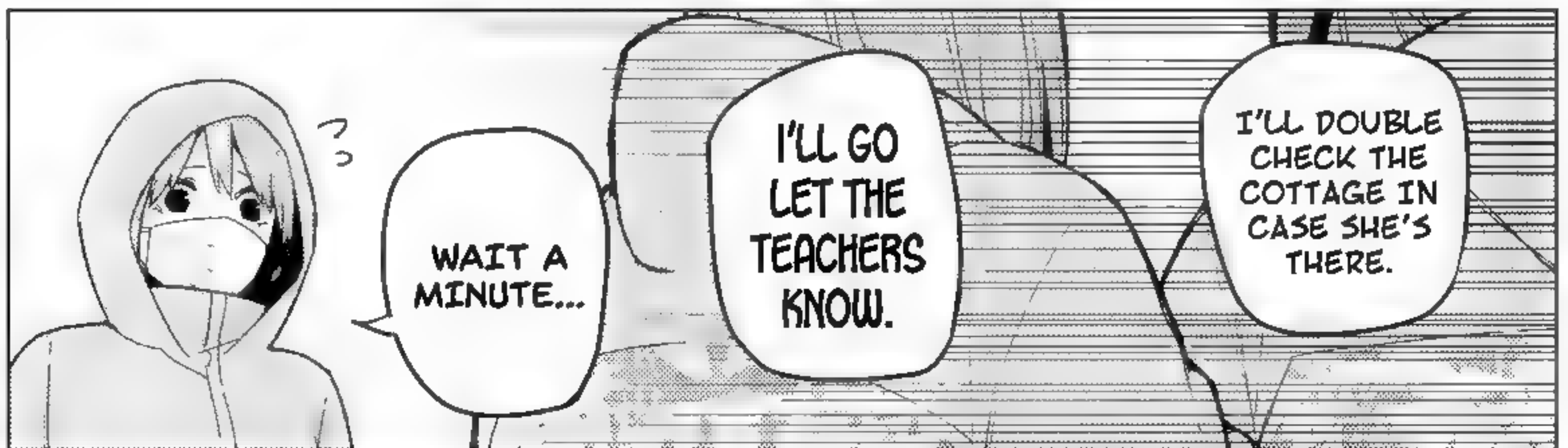
HMM...
THE TEACHER
MENTIONED
SOMETHING
AT THE
BEGINNING,
RIGHT?

THIS
IS...



THAT
THIS TRAIL
HASN'T BEEN
MAINTAINED,
AND WE'RE NOT
ALLOWED IN
BECAUSE IT'S
DANGEROUS...

立入禁止 KEEP OUT



WAIT A
MINUTE...

I'LL GO
LET THE
TEACHERS
KNOW.

I'LL DOUBLE
CHECK THE
COTTAGE IN
CASE SHE'S
THERE.



OUT OF
PROPOR-
TION?

I'M AS-
TOUNDED.



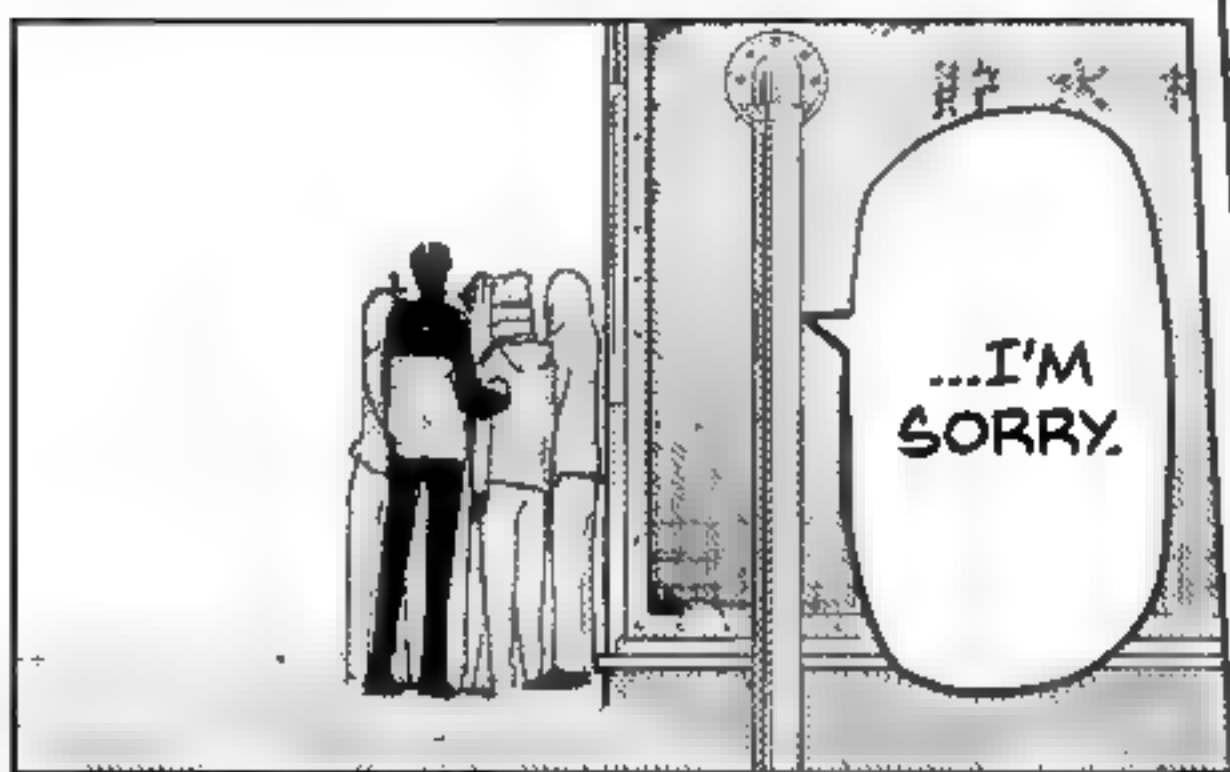
UMM...
I'M SURE
ITSUKI-CHAN
WOULDN'T
WANT TO BLOW
THIS OUT OF
PROPORTION...

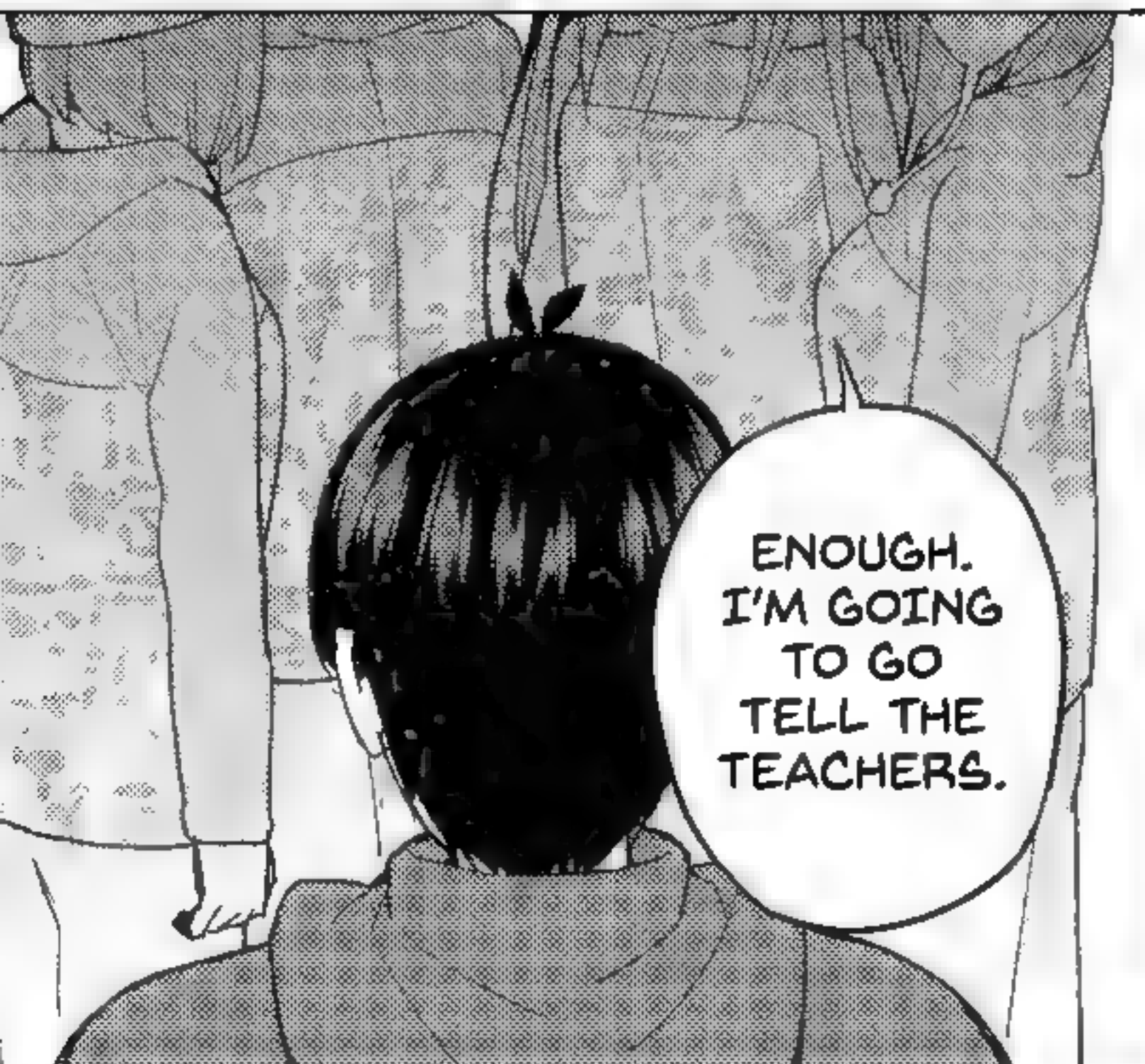


DEPENDING
ON THE
SITUATION,
THEY MIGHT
NEED TO SEND A
RESCUE
TEAM.

LET'S TRY
LOOKING
SOME MORE
FIRST...

WHY?





ENOUGH.
I'M GOING
TO GO
TELL THE
TEACHERS.



I HAVE
SOME-
THING
IN MIND.

WAIT.



I CAN
TRUST
YOU ON
THIS ONE,
RIGHT?



SOME-
THING IN
MIND...?

DON'T
WORRY.
I'M PRETTY
SURE I CAN
FIND HER.



YEAH.

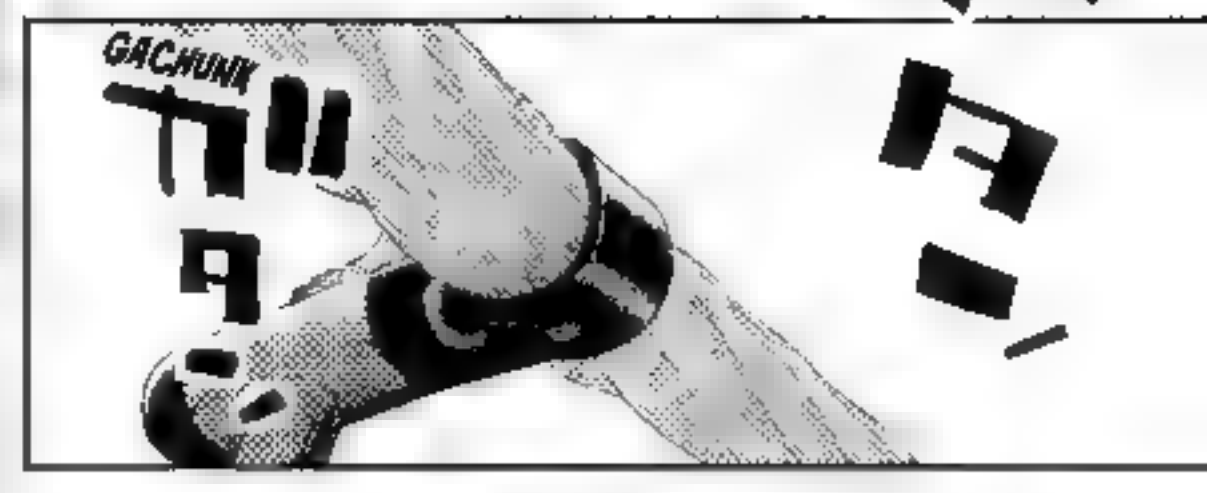
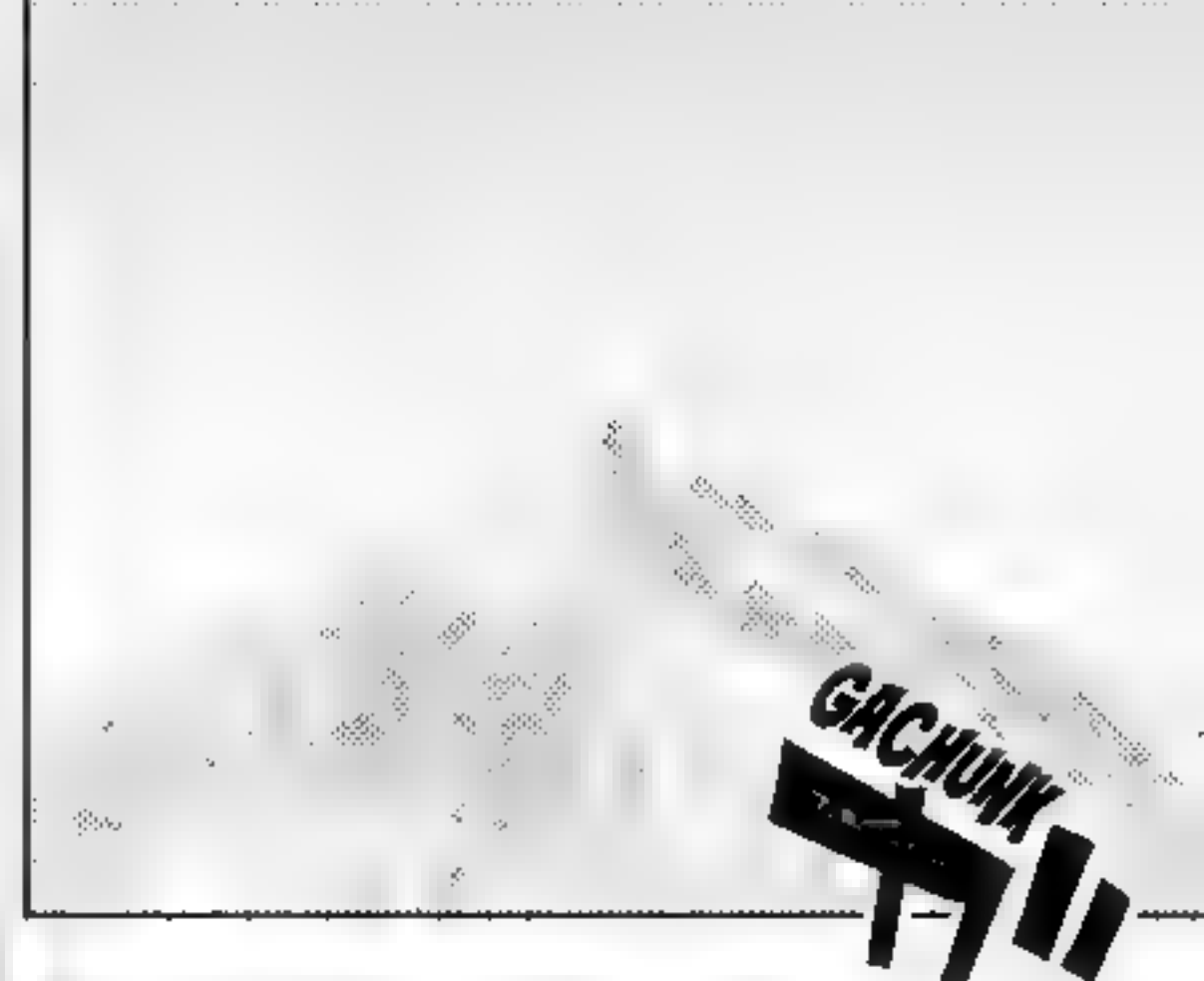
ICHIKA,
COME
WITH
ME.



UESUGI-
KUN



DID YOU MEAN SEARCHING FROM UP HERE...?



BY HAVING SOMETHING IN MIND...



WELL IT'S TRUE THAT WE CAN SEE PRETTY WELL FROM HERE, BUT...!

T... THIS IS SURPRISINGLY HIGH UP...



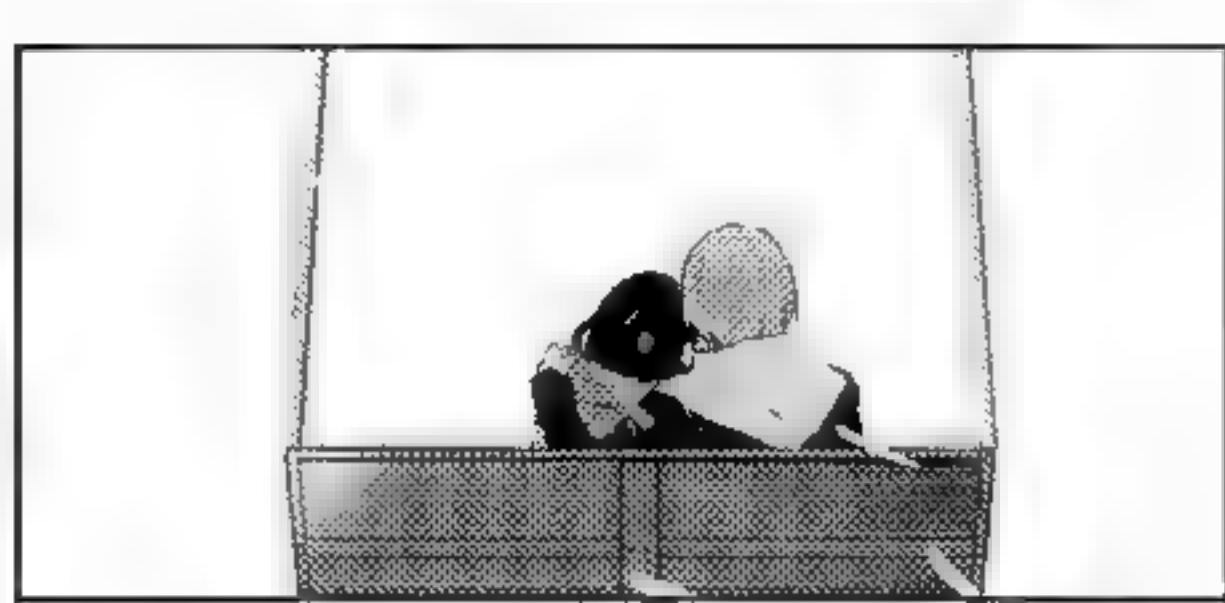
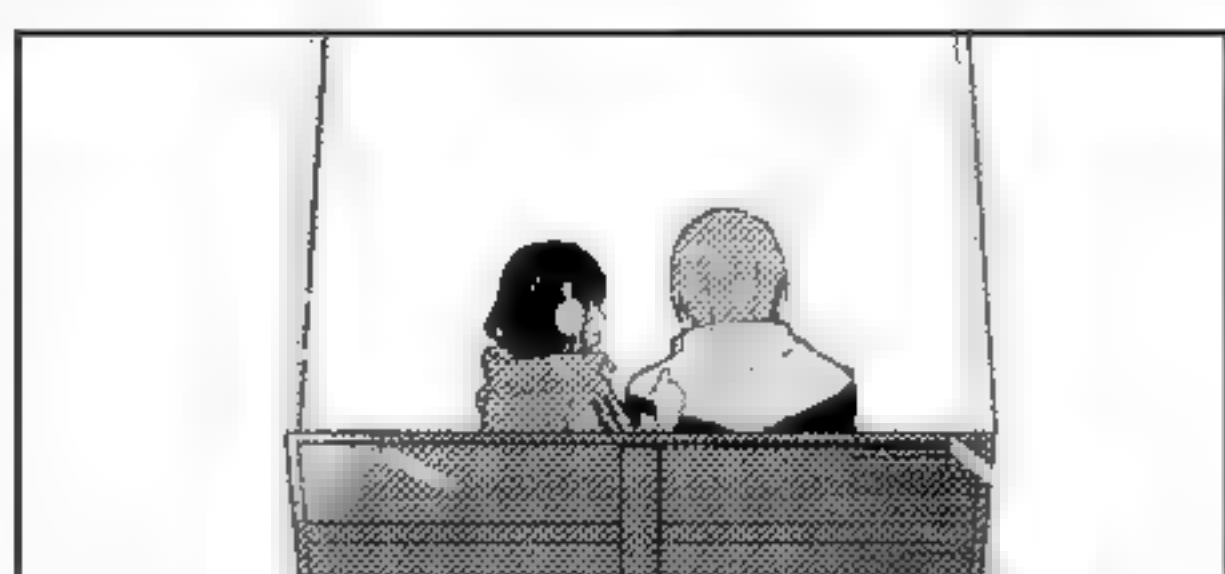
HUH?

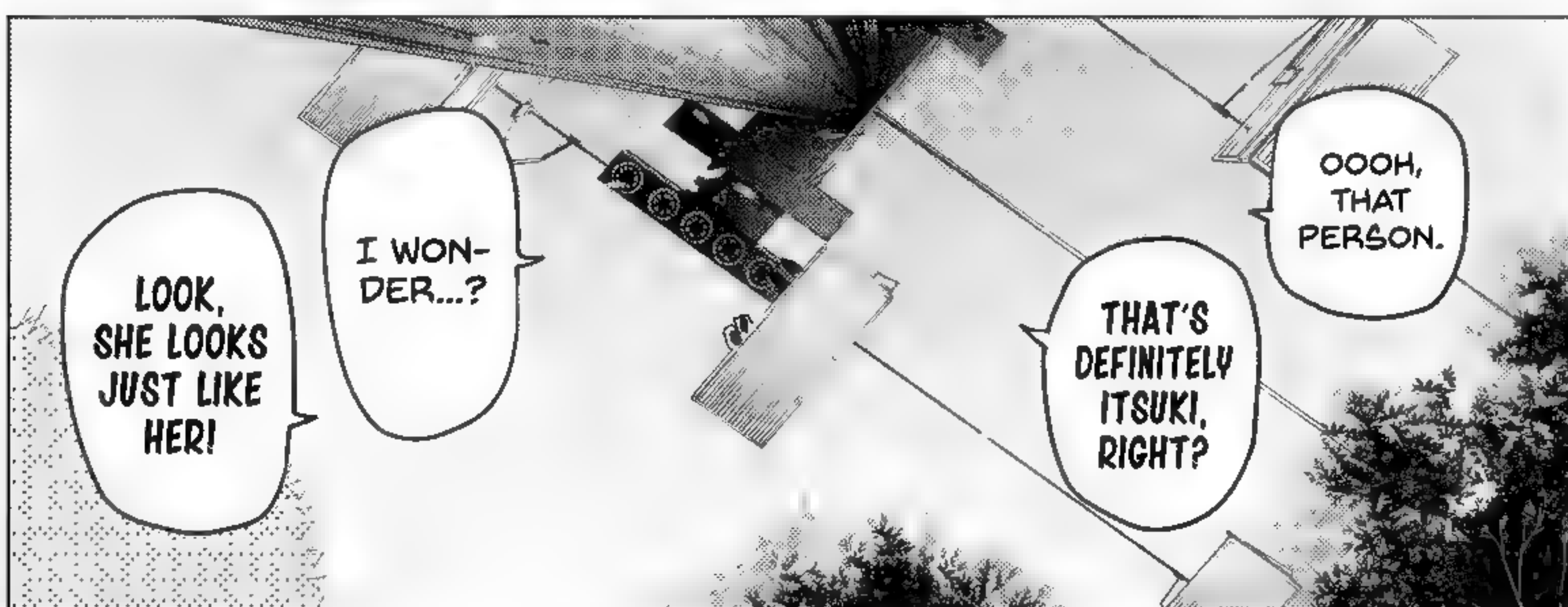
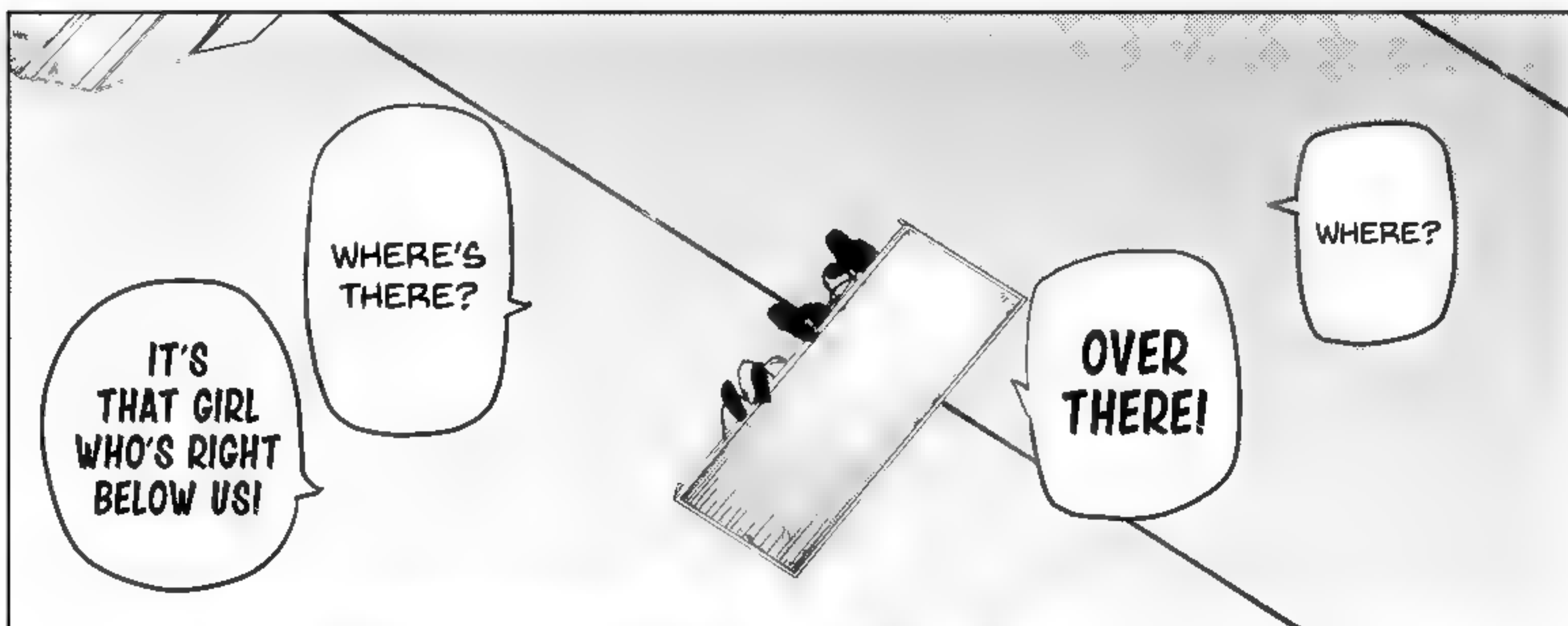


AH!
THAT'S ITSUKI, ISN'T IT?



MAYBE WE SHOULD JUST CALL IT QUITS?







SINCE
YOU HAVE
POOR EYE-
SIGHT,

YOU
CAN'T
REALLY
SEE WELL
WITHOUT
YOUR
GLASSES,
RIGHT?



IT WAS
HARD FOR
YOU TO
SPEAK UP,
WASN'T
IT?

...SORRY
ABOUT
MAKING A
BIG DEAL
OUT OF
THIS.



FOUND
YOU.





